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THEATRE ROYAL.

On MONDAY next, March 15, will be presented, the Tragedy of

KING RICHARD THE THIRD.

King Richard, Mr COLLINS;
Treffel, Mr CAUTHERLEY;
King Henry, Mr Sutherland; Duke of Buckingham, Mr Wilmot-Wells; Prince Edward, Mrs Wilmot Wells; Duke of York, Master Charteris; Lord Stanley, Mr Sparks; Catesby, Mr Tannett; Ratcliff, Mr J. Bland; Norfolk, Mr Hallion; Lieutenant of the Tower, Mr Charteris; Lord Mayor, Mr Bell; Oxford, Mr Bland, jun.
And Earl of Richmond, Mr WOODS;
Lady Anne, Mrs SPARKS;
Duchess of York, Mrs MOUNTFORT;
And the Queen, Mrs BADDELEY.

To which will be added, a Pantomime Entertainment, in Grotesque Characters, (for the last time this season) called

MOTHER SHIPTON; or, the POWER OF MAGIC.

Harlequin, Mr J. BLAND;
Pantaloon, Mr SPARKS;
And Clown, Mr DAVIS.
Mother Shipton, (with a Song in character) Mr HALLION;
And Columbine, Mrs TANNETT.

In the course of the Pantomime, among several other grand pieces of Machinery, is a representation of a SHIP LAUNCHING; and a grand prospect of GIBRALTAR.

The whole to conclude with a Country Dance by the Characters.

Mr J. BLAND, who performed Harlequin, for the second time, in Mother Shipton on Monday last, was received by a numerous audience with very great applause. He will appear in it again on Monday, for the third time.

Theatre, Glasgow.

On FRIDAY next, March 19, will be presented, the Comic Opera of

THE SCHOOL FOR FATHERS.

To which will be added, a Burletta, never acted there, called, The

PORTRAIT,

OR,

THE SPEAKING PICTURE.

The Characters as performed at Edinburgh.

On their way for ABERDEEN,

Breslaw's New Variety of Entertainments,

Will be displayed as follow, viz.

At the Trades Hall in DUNDEE, on Monday next, the 15th instant, and likewise at the Assembly Room in ARBROATH, on Tuesday next the 16th instant,

and also, at the Assembly Room in MONTROSE, on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday next, the 18th, 19th, and 20th instant.

These Various Performances consist as follows, viz.

I. A Variety of New Capital Performances, by Mr BRESLAW.
II. Playing Solos and several Scots and Irish Airs on the Violin, by Mrs LOUIS, late Miss FLORELLA.
III. Whistling the Notes, by Sieur ARCALANI.
IV. Several Magical Card Deceptions, by Sieur ANDREA.
V. Imitation of Various Birds on the new Venetian Instrument.
VI. Several New Experiments on Metals, Watches, Glasses, Machineries, &c. by Mr BRESLAW.

The particulars of those New Performances are too numerous to insert. In each place, to begin at Seven o'clock in the evenings.

The rooms will be kept warm, and elegantly illuminated.

Admittance, Two Shillings each person.

Tickets to be had, places to be taken, or any person inclineable to learn some Deceptions, may apply to Mr BRESLAW, at the principal Inns.

BOOKS

Printed for, and published this season by

WILLIAM CREECH.

DR Playfair's System of Chronology, elegantly printed on royal paper, fol. price 2 l. 5 s. in boards.

Dr Ferguson's History of the Progress and Termination of the Roman Republic, with maps, 3 vols. 4to, price 2l. 12s. 6d. in boards.

Dr Blair's Lectures on Rhetoric and Belles Lettres, 2 vols. 4to, price 1l. 16s. in boards.

Dr Beattie's Dissertations, Moral and Critical, in one volume 4to, price 18s. in boards.

Dr Monro's Observations on the Nervous System, with 55 copperplates, elegantly printed on royal French paper, price 2l. 2s. in boards.

Mr Wight's present State of Husbandry in Scotland, from actual surveys, made at the desire of the Commissioners of the Annexed Estates, 6 vols. 8vo, price 1l. 12s. neatly bound in calf.

N. B. The Four last Volumes may be had separate, price 16s. boards.

Thomson's Universal Calculator, or Merchant's, Tradesman's, and Family's Assistant, price 4s. bound.

N. B. This is warranted the most correct and useful book of the kind extant.

Elements of Hebrew Grammar, by Professor Wilson of St Andrews, price 4s. bound.

Varietés Dramatiques, ou Recueil de Comedies et Tragedies, Le tout tiré des plus celebres Auteurs Francois, price 4s. bound.

And this Day is published,

New Editions of DR BLAIR'S SERMONS, 2 vol.
And DR BUCHAN'S DOMESTIC MEDICINE.

JUST PUBLISHED, and sold by J. DICKSON,
In one Volume Octavo—Price 6 s. in boards,

SACRED BIOGRAPHY;

OR,

The HISTORY of the PATRIARCHS, from ADAM to ABRAHAM, inclusively:

Being a Course of LECTURES delivered at the Scots Church, London Wall,

BY HENRY HUNTER, D. D.

The Second Edition.——The first impression of this book, though a very large one, was sold off in a few weeks at London.

RIGA LINT-SEED.

TO be SOLD, a Quantity of RIGA LINTSEED, lately imported in Sheeted Barrels. Two barrels are equal to a Hogshead. This seed is of a remarkable fine quality, well cleaned, and in fine order.

Please apply to Alexander Moubray, at the Trustees office, Edinburgh.

POT ASHES.

TO be SOLD by auction, at the Ware-house of William Douglas, Quality Street, Leith, on Tuesday the 16th curt. at 12 o'clock noon,

About Twenty Tons DANTZICK POT-ASHES, of an excellent quality.

N. B. At the Ware-house above mentioned may be had, a Parcel of the finest Petersburgh PEARL ASHES; and likewise, a few Bags and Pockets of the best KENTISH HOPS.

THEATRE ROYAL.

The profits of this night to be applied, by authority of the Magistrates and Town Council, towards completing the

NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

On TUESDAY Evening, March 16, will be performed, A Tragedy, (now acted the twenty years) called

ROMEO AND JULIET.

Romeo, Mr CAUTHERLEY;
Friar Laurence, Mr Wilmot-Wells; Capulet, Mr Sparks; Benvolio, Mr Hallion; Prince, Mr Bell; Montague, Mr Davis; Count Paris, Mr Tannett; Tibalt, Mr J. Bland; Starv'd Apothecary, Mr Charteris; Peter, Mr Bland, jun.
And Mercutio, Mr WOODS.
Lady Capulet, Mrs MOUNTFORT;
Nurse, Mrs CHARTERIS;
And Juliet, Mrs WILMOT-WELLS.

In Act I. A MASQUERADE SCENE,
In which will be introduced a MINUET
By Mr SUTHERLAND and Mrs TANNETT.

In Act IV. A SOLEMN DIRGE at the Monument of the Capulets.
The Vocal Parts by Mr Hallion, Mr Tannett, Mr Bell, Mr Dalton, Mrs Mills and Mrs Henderson.

End of the play will be exhibited, (for the fourth time) The

AIR BALLOON.

To which will be added, A FARCE called The

DEAF LOVER.

Captain Meadows, (the Deaf Lover) Mr MOSS;
Old Wrongward, Mr SPARKS;
Sophia, Mrs MILLS;
Sally, Mrs TANNETT;
And Betty Blossom, (with songs in character) Mrs SPARKS.

Tickets to be had, and places for the boxes taken, of Mr Gibb, at the Office of the Theatre.

SHOOLMASTERS BILL.

REASONS stated by the COMMITTEE of the LANDED INTEREST for opposing the Bill now depending in Parliament for increasing the salaries, &c. of Parish Schoolmasters in Scotland.

THE object of this Bill, as it now stands, is to fix the *minimum* of the Schoolmaster's salary at 16l. 13s. 4d. Sterling, which may be doubled. 2dly, To give a house and garden, of the value of 3l. a year at least. 3dly, As much ground near their respective dwelling houses, as will pasture a cow, &c.

REASONS for OPPOSING the BILL.

1st, The Bill is more of a private than of a public nature, because its object is to take money from one class of individuals to give it to another. The landed interest are to pay this additional salary; therefore they ought to have been consulted before the bill was brought into Parliament, and upon this ground, it should be opposed until it is sent back to the counties. The landed interest ought to take this opportunity of establishing a precedent, that will serve as a rule, in case any application shall be made to Parliament in future by the Schoolmasters, or by others in similar circumstances.

2dly, The principle of the bill is not well founded. It assumes as its basis, That the Schoolmasters are poor, and that to render them easy and independent, will make them more diligent and attentive to the education of youth. The reverse is found by experience to be the fact in every instance once whatever. [illegible] did not intend that the salary then fixed should be equal to the support of the master and his family, "but only as an aid to his industry," until the plan of attending public schools (their very little thought of among the commonalty in this country) should become more prevalent and more universal.

3dly, In populous parishes, a Schoolmaster who is capable and diligent, can gain a very comfortable subsistence. But if his indolence obliges the tenants and better class of inhabitants to send their children to towns for education, there seems neither reason nor justice in compelling the landed interest to relieve the poverty occasioned by indolence, especially as they are thereby obliged to follow a more expensive plan of education for their children.

4th, If the salary be increased, it will make the office of parish Schoolmaster an object of attention for students of divinity, who, having their own education in that line to carry on, would be frequently absent, and, by having other views in life, will seldom be sufficiently attentive to the education of the youth committed to their charge. This is already found to be the case in some parts of the country, especially where the salary of the schoolmaster has been increased by mortified funds.

5th, There are very few parishes in the country so small, or so compact, as that all the children in it can attend the parish school. There are generally other schools in the parish, and it frequently happens, that the parish schoolmaster, even with the aid of his salary, does not live so comfortably as his rival: this can only proceed from his being less capable, or less diligent; and in extensive and thinly inhabited parishes, where the master can teach but few children on account of their residence being remote from the school, it seems unreasonable to compel the heritors and tenants to contribute more than they do at present, to the salary of a schoolmaster, from whom they can derive no benefit whatever.

6th, Although the price of many of the necessaries of life has increased since the year 1696, when the present salaries were fixed, yet the more general desire of knowledge that now prevails, and the higher fees that are given when deserved, will more than compensate that rise.

7th, The state of the country has changed materially since that period. At that time, the greater part of the nation was comprehended under two classes, viz. the Landed Interest, and their Tenants; therefore the dividing the Schoolmaster's salary betwixt them, as done by that law, might then have been reasonable; but now there are several different classes, viz. the Manufacturer, the Trader, and the Merchant, who, in general, are more wealthy than their corresponding ranks among the Landed Interest; and yet by this bill, they are to contribute nothing to the proposed additional salary, although they will derive fully as much benefit as those on whom this burden is laid.

8th, This bill, as the blanks are filled up, will levy upon the landed interest, on or before the first of November next, about 160,000 l. Sterling, as appears from the following calculation:

1st. There are about 1000 parishes in Scotland, and suppose every house and school-house to cost 60 l. Sterling, *inde* L. 60,000 0 0

2d. Take the value of the land, which must be given under the name of *garden*, at 40 s. because in the country no house lets for more than 20 s. and few so high; and as this is to be purchased in land, say twenty-five years purchase, *inde* 50,000 0 0

3d. The value of as much ground as will pasture a cow for the year, at an average 40 s. which being likewise to be purchased in land at twenty-five years purchase, *inde* 50,000 0 0

By the Bill, this sum of L. 160,000 0 0

is to be levied from the Landed Interest, on or before the period above mentioned.—Perhaps the schoolmasters in most of the royal boroughs are already provided in houses, and therefore the first sum may admit of some deductions. But, as this burden is parochial, although the boroughs may be relieved of it, where [illegible] houses are already provided; yet in country parishes, where houses are wanting, the expence will not be less than is here calculated.

9th, The annual burden upon the Landed Interest and their tenants will be increased as follows:

1st. Interest of the first sum, being for buildings and repairs, at 7½ per cent. L. 4500 0 0

2d. Interest of the second and third sums, amounting to 100,000 l. at 5 per cent. 5000 0 0

3d. Suppose every Schoolmaster now provided in 100 merks of salary, the addition by the bill is 200 merks each at least, that is, upon the whole, 200,000 merks, or in Sterling, 11,111 2 2 2-12ths

Additional annual burden is L. 20,611 2 2 2-12ths

This additional provision, will be a diminution of the value of the lands of Scotland, of above 412,000 l.; and as in the whole of this business, the smallest proprietor has an equal voice with the greatest, in many parishes combinations may be formed to vote the highest salary, which they will have it in their power to bestow on any friend or relation they may wish to provide for; it may even be given to promote the education of persons who may become needing Ministers.

10th, There never was a more improper time than the present for laying any additional burden upon the tenants, as it is a well-known fact, that, in most parts of Scotland, they are at present very deeply in arrears to their landlords.

11th, Although the Schoolmasters complain of the scanty provision made for them, there are never wanting many candidates for every vacancy, perfectly qualified, and regularly recommended. And in fact, under the present establishment, the commonalty of Scotland, are more generally taught and better educated than any populace in Europe.

12th, If any further provision is necessary, it ought to be made by raising the fees for teaching, by which the profit of the master will be increased in proportion to his diligence, and the burden will fall upon every person according to the benefit he derives from the master; and this can be done by an agreement among the Heritors, without the aid of Parliament.

Lastly, That innovations in the law and established rights of this part of the united kingdom, and which are to affect Scotland only, ought to be guarded against with the utmost attention, and opposed with determined resolution.

(Signed) ELPHINSTON, Preses.

Extracted from the Minutes, by ALEXR. KIDD, Clerk.

SCHOOLMASTERS BILL.

BY Desire of the Committee of the Landed Interest, appointed to attend to the progress of the Schoolmaster's Bill, now depending in Parliament, A GENERAL MEETING is to be held in the Royal Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Monday next, the 15th current, at twelve o'clock noon, to consider what further steps are necessary to be taken for opposing it.

ALEX. KIDD, Clk.

Just Published,

And to be sold by Mr CREECH,

AN ESSAY ON JURIES:

And particularly on the Question, Whether or not the intervention of Juries ought to take place in deciding Causes, not only Criminal but also Civil, in Scotland as in England?

"Neminem voluerunt Majores nostri non modo de existimatione "cujusquam, sed ne pecuniaria quidem de re minima, esse judicem; "nisi qui inter adversarios convenisset." CICERO IN CLUENTIANA.

Price One Shilling——For the Benefit of the Charity Work-House.

CALEDONIAN HUNT.

The [illegible] at four o'clock.

The Earl of HADDINGTON in the Chair.

WILLIAM HAGART, Secr.

MILLERS WANTED,

For the Wheat Mills at Partick and Clayflap, which belong to the Incorporation of Bakers in Glasgow.

ANY persons properly qualified, who will engage as such, are desired to apply to the present Deacon of the said Incorporation, where they will meet with encouragement, upon producing certificates of their character and abilities.

☞ For the convenience of Millers residing in the county of Edinburgh or East Lothian, they may apply to John Yule, St Giles's Street, Leith.

WAITERS WANTED.

WANTED at Whitsunday next, a Waiter, who understand the business of a coffee-room.—Likewise, Two Waiters for a Tavern. None need apply who cannot bear confinement, are cleanly in their persons, and can be well recommended for sobriety, honesty, and attention to their business.—If English, the more agreeable.

For particulars apply to Mr James Murray, grocer, back of the city guard, Edinburgh.

Broke and Escaped from the JAIL of JEDBURGH, upon the night of Monday the 8th of March 1784,

A Man of the strolling kind, committed by warrant of the sheriff, for stealing goods from a shop in Hawick. Upon his examination he called himself David Thomson, at other times he assumed the name of Oliver, Stewart, &c. but whose real name is said to be Allan. His appearance denotes his age to be twenty-three or twenty-four years; his stature like five foot six inches, of a dark complexion, black haired, wants the first joint of his thumb and two first fingers of the right hand, wore a brown coat, and black breeches, frequently gloves, stuffed to conceal the deficiency in his thumb and fingers.—Any person or persons who can apprehend this fugative, and conduct him to Jedburgh, to any of the Magistrates of that burgh, will be properly rewarded by the town, besides having all expences defrayed,

By order of the Magistrates,

(Signed) AND. LOOKUP, Clk

FOR KINGSTON, JAMAICA,

To call at Port-Morant, or Morant-Bay, if Freight offer,

THE SHIP MARTHA,

JOHN BOYLE Master,

Now lying in the harbour of Greenock, will be ready to take on board goods goods by the 20th current, and clear to sail by the 15th April.

For freight or passage, apply to Allans, Wilsons, and Co. Glasgow, or William and John Dunlop, Greenock.

FOR PHILADELPHIA,

THE SHIP FRIENDSHIP,

JOHN M'ADAM Master,

IS now ready to take goods on board at Greenock and will be clear to sail the 25th instant.

For freight or passage, apply to Mr William Donald merchant, Glasgow, or John Stewart merchant, Greenock.

The Friendship is a fine large ship, about four months old, and has excellent accommodation for passengers.

FOR OPORTO, AND RETURNS TO LEITH,

THE SOPHIA AND HARRIOT,

PETER LAWRIE Master,

Will sail from Leith about the 20th March. Merchants wanting freight home, may apply to Messr. Bell and Rannie at Leith.

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From the LONDON GAZETTE, *March 9.*

AT the Court at St James's, the 8th of March 1784,

PRESENT,

The KING's Moſt Excellent Majeſty in Council.

HIS Majeſty having been graciouſly pleaſed to deliver the Privy Seal to William Fraſer, Stephen Cottrell, and Evan Nepean, Eſquires, whom his Majeſty, by letters patent under the Great Seal of Great Britain, hath conſtituted Commiſſioners for executing the office of Keeper of the Privy Seal, they this day took the uſual oaths as Commiſſioners for the cuſtody of the Privy Seal.

Warſaw, February 18. The quarantines between Poland, Cherſon, and the Crimea, are taken off. By letters from Cherſon it appears, that nearly half the inhabitants of that city have died of the plague; but that the ſevere cold of the winter has ſo far checked the contagion, as to give little reaſon to apprehend the breaking out of the diſorder again upon the approach of ſummer.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MONDAY, *March* 8.

THE expectations of the public were ſo uncommonly excited yeſterday to hear the important proceedings of the Houſe, that Members took the trouble of going down with their friends to procure them admiſſion to the gallery at ten o'clock in the morning. By eleven the place allotted for ſtrangers was crowded, and the Gentlemen ſat with the utmoſt patience from that hour till four in the afternoon without any buſineſs; at that time counſel were heard on Niſbett's Divorce Bill, and juſt as the Houſe were proceeding to the important buſineſs for which the relations and friends of the Members had undergone ſo much fatigue, and for which the people are ſo naturally impatient,

Sir *James Lowther* roſe, and complained that on bringing down his friend, the brother of the Member for St Albans, he found it impoſſible to procure a ſeat in the gallery for him, tho' it was only at half paſt three; and this being the caſe, and alſo becauſe he had reaſon to believe that there might be ſtrangers in the gallery not introduced by Members, he inſiſted upon carrying into force the ſtanding order of the Houſe, and deſired that all ſtrangers be ordered to withdraw. Many Members interfered, and with great earneſtneſs ſolicited the Hon. Baronet to recede from his order; but Sir James had ſaid it, and the gallery was accordingly cleared.

By this means it is not in our power to gratify the ardent wiſhes of the conſtituent body of the Houſe of Commons with any account of what paſſed in their Aſſembly yeſterday.

After a laudable effort on the part of the Country Gentlemen yet to moderate the ſpirit of the times, and to procure a ſhort adjournment, had been oppoſed by Miniſters,

Mr *Fox* roſe and moved his propoſition on the King's Anſwer. *(For which, ſee Edinburgh Article.)*

At twelve o'clock at night the Houſe divided on the queſtion,

Ayes	191
Noes	190
Majority	ONE.

LONDON.—*March* 9.

between the two great Leaders in the Houſe of Commons, that an union upon a *broad* and *equal* footing was abſolutely expected; and, in conſequence of the above negociation, (through Mr Powis and Mr Marſham) Mr Pitt waited upon a great perſonage, when the whole buſineſs was laid before him, which, unfortunately he did not approve of. This negociation, which we are ſorry proved abortive, was the reaſon why Mr Pitt and Mr Fox did not appear in the Houſe till late in the evening.

The following is the ſubſtance of the letter from Scilly, which gives an account to the Directors of the India Company of the loſs of the Nancy packet.

"A perſon, whoſe buſineſs it is to attend at Scilly iſlands, on ſeeing ſome letters waſhed on ſhore, which, on opening, he found came from India, ſuſpecting ſome veſſel from that part of the world to be loſt, offered a large reward for any perſon to go off; they accordingly diſcovered the wreck under water with great difficulty, and got up a packet bag, which contained ſeveral letters.

"The following are a part of the paſſengers known to have been on board the Nancy at the time; Mr Percy, ſurgeon to Sir Edward Hughes; Mr Aſhburner, late of the Council of Bombay; Mr Bond; Mr Page and ſon; Miſs A. Thomſon; Captain Haldane; his friend and ſecond mate; Mr M'Kenzie; Mrs Cargill, and an infant child of twenty months old. The bodies were moſtly naked, and ſuppoſed to have been in bed at the time."

Excluſive of remittances to the Company from India, there were upwards of 200,000 l. private property in ſpecie and jewels, on board the above packet.

This packet had the articles of the peace as ſettled in the Eaſt Indies on board, none of which have been able to be made out by the letters that were taken up by one of his Majeſty's revenue cutters, they being ſo long in the water, and the letters ſo torn; but the Company are in hopes, as ſoon as they can get them dry, they will be able to make ſomething out of them.

The crew conſiſted of thirty-ſix men, beſides twelve gentlemen and ladies paſſengers, who all periſhed, they ſay, except one.

PRICE OF STOCKS, MARCH 9.

Bank Stock, ſhut.	South Sea Stock, —
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, ſhut.	3 per cent. Old Ann. —
3 per cent. con. 58¼ a ⅜ a ½.	Ditto New Ann. 58¼ a ⅜ a ½.
3 per cent. red. ſhut.	Ditto 1751. —
3 per cent. 1726, —	Exchequer Bills, 4 diſc.
Long Ann. 17 13-16ths a 18.	Navy Bills, 1 diſc.
Short Ann. 1798, 12¾ a ⅞.	3 per cent. Scrip. —
India Stock, 128¼ a ½.	4 per cent. Scrip. —
3 per cent. Ann. —	Light Long Ann. —
India Bonds paid, 19 a 20 diſc.	Prizes, —
Ditto unpaid, —	

EDINBURGH.

The London Poſt did not arrive till near ſix o'clock.

Extract of a letter from London, March 9.

"The following is an exact copy of the Addreſs moved for by Mr Fox, in the Houſe of Commons, on Monday laſt:

"THAT an humble Repreſentation be preſented to his Majeſty, moſt humbly to teſtify the ſurpriſe and affliction of this Houſe, on receiving the anſwer which his Majeſty's Miniſters have adviſed to the dutiful and ſeaſonable Addreſs of this Houſe, concerning one of the moſt important acts of his Majeſty's government.

"To expreſs our concern, that when his Majeſty's paternal goodneſs has graciouſly inclined his Majeſty to be ſenſible of the advantage to be derived from ſuch adminiſtration as was pointed out in our reſolution, his Majeſty ſhould ſtill be induced to prefer the opinions of individuals to the repeated advice of the Repreſentatives of his people in Parliament aſſembled, with reſpect to the means of obtaining ſo deſireable an end.

"To repreſent to his Majeſty, that a preference of this nature is as injurious to the true intereſts of the Crown, as it is wholly repugnant to the ſpirit of our free Conſtitution. That ſyſtems founded on ſuch a preference are not in truth entirely new in this country; that they have been the characteriſtic features of thoſe unfortunate reigns, the maxims of which are moſt juſtly and univerſally exploded; while his Majeſty and his Royal Progenitors have been fixed in the hearts of their people, and have commanded the reſpect and admiration of all the nations of the earth, by a conſtant and uniform attention to the advice of their Commons, however adverſe ſuch advice may have been to the opinions of the executive ſervants of the Crown.

"To aſſure his Majeſty, that we neither have diſputed, nor mean in any inſtance to diſpute, much leſs to deny, his Majeſty's undoubted prerogative of appointing to the executive offices of State, ſuch perſons as to his Majeſty's wiſdom ſhall ſeem meet; but at the ſame time, that we muſt with all humility again ſubmit to his Majeſty's royal wiſdom, that no Adminiſtration, however legally appointed, can ſerve his Majeſty and the public with effect, which does not enjoy the confidence of this Houſe.

"That in his Majeſty's preſent Adminiſtration we cannot conſide; the circumſtances under which it was conſtituted, and the grounds upon which it continues, have created ſuch ſuſpicions in the breaſts of his faithful Commons, that principles are adopted and views entertained unfriendly to the privileges of this Houſe, and to the freedom of our excellent Conſtitution. That we have made no charge againſt any of them, becauſe it is their removal and not their puniſhment which we have deſired: And that we humbly conceive we are warranted, by the ancient uſage of this Houſe, to deſire ſuch removal without making any charge whatever; that confidence may be very prudently withheld when no criminal proceſs can be properly inſtituted; that although we have made no criminal charge againſt any individuals of his Majeſty's Miniſters, yet with all humility we do conceive, that we have ſtated to his Majeſty very diſtinct objections, and very forcible reaſons againſt their continuance. That with regard to the propriety of admitting either the preſent Miniſters or any other perſon, as a part of that extended and united Adminiſtration, which his Majeſty, in concurrence with the ſentiments of this Houſe, conſiders as requiſite; it is a point upon which we are too well acquainted with the bounds of our duty to preſume to offer any advice to his Majeſty, well knowing it to be the undoubted prerogative of his Majeſty, to appoint his Miniſters without any previous advice from either Houſe of Parliament, and our duty humbly to offer to his Majeſty our advice, when ſuch appointments ſhall appear to us to be prejudicial to the public ſervice.

"To acknowledge with gratitude his Majeſty's goodneſs, in not conſidering the failure of his recent endeavours as a final bar to the accompliſhment of the gracious purpoſe which his Majeſty has in view, and to expreſs the great concern and mortification with which we find ourſelves obliged to declare, that the conſolation which we ſhould naturally have derived from his Majeſty's moſt gracious diſpoſition, is conſiderably abated, by underſtanding that his Majeſty's adviſers have not thought fit to ſuggeſt to his Majeſty any farther ſteps to remove the difficulties which obſtruct ſo deſireable an end.

"To call to his Majeſty's recollection, that his faithful Commons have already ſubmitted to his Majeſty, moſt humbly, but moſt diſtinctly, their opinion upon this ſubject—That they can have no intereſts but thoſe of his Majeſty and of their conſtituents; whereas it is needleſs to ſuggeſt to his Majeſty's wiſdom and diſcernment, that individual adviſers may be actuated by very different motives.

"To expreſs our moſt unfeigned gratitude to his Majeſty for his Majeſty's royal aſſurances, that he does not call in queſtion the right of this Houſe to offer their advice to his Majeſty on every proper occaſion, touching the exerciſe of any branch of his royal prerogative, and of his Majeſty's readineſs at all times to receive ſuch advice, and to give it the moſt attentive conſideration.

"To declare that we recognize in thoſe gracious expreſſions, thoſe excellent and conſtitutional ſentiments, which we have ever been accuſtomed to hear from the throne ſince the glorious æra of the Revolution, and which have peculiarly characteriſed his Majeſty, and the princes of his illuſtrious houſe; but we lament that thoſe moſt gracious expreſſions, which inſpire us with additional affection and gratitude towards his Majeſty's royal perſon, do not a little contribute to increaſe our ſuſpicions of theſe men, who have adviſed his Majeſty, in direct contradiction to thoſe aſſurances, to neglect the advice of his Commons, and to retain in his ſervice an adminiſtration, whoſe continuance in office we have ſo repeatedly and ſo diſtinctly condemned.

"To repreſent to his Majeſty, that it has anciently been the practice of this Houſe to withhold ſupplies until the grievances were redreſſed; and that if we were to follow this courſe in the preſent juncture, we ſhould be warranted in our proceeding, as well by the moſt approved precedents as by the ſpirit of the conſtitution itſelf. But if, in conſideration of the very peculiar exigencies of the times, we ſhould be induced to wave for the preſent the exerciſe in this inſtance of our undoubted, legal, and conſtitutional mode of obtaining redreſs, that we humbly implore his Majeſty not to impute our forbearance to any want of ſincerity in our complaints, or diſtruſt in the juſtice of our cauſe.

"That we know, and are ſure, that the proſperity of his Majeſty's dominions in former times has been, under Divine Providence, owing to the harmony which has for near a century prevailed uninterruptedly between the Crown and this Houſe.

"That we are convinced, that there is no way to extricate this country from its preſent difficulties, but by purſuing the ſame ſyſtem to which we have been indebted at various periods of our hiſtory, from our ſucceſſes abroad, and which is at all times ſo neceſſary for our tranquility at home.

"That we feel the continuance of the preſent Adminiſtration to be an innovation upon that happy ſyſtem—that we cannot but fear from their exiſtence, under the diſpleaſure of this Houſe, every misfortune naturally incident to a weak and diſtracted Government.

"That if we concealed from his Majeſty our honeſt ſentiments upon this important criſis, we ſhould have been in ſome degree reſponſible for the miſchiefs which are but too certain to enſue.

"That we have done our duty to his Majeſty and our conſtituents, in pointing out the evil, and in humbly imploring redreſs: that the blame and reſponſibility muſt now wholly lie upon thoſe who have preſumed to adviſe his Majeſty to act in contradiction to the uniform maxims which have hitherto governed the conduct of his Majeſty, as well as every other Prince of his illuſtrious Houſe; upon thoſe who have diſregarded the opinions, and neglected the admonitions of the repreſentatives of his people, and who have thereby attempted to ſet up a new ſyſtem of executive Adminiſtration, which wanting the confidence of this Houſe, and acting in defiance to our reſolutions, muſt prove at once inadequate, by its inſufficiency, to the neceſſary of Government, and dangerous by its example, to the liberties of the people."

HOUSE OF LORDS.

"The Houſe went into a Committee on the Receipt Tax, Lord *Scarſdale* in the Chair.

"Lord *De Ferrars* ſaid, that the Receipt tax was a proof, that Miniſtry were intirely deſtitute of ingenuity and invention. It was an unpopular tax, and an iniquitous tax. His Lordſhip was of opinion, that a tax on Houſe Dogs, and an increaſe of the rates on letters by poſt, would have been much better than ſo vexatious and unequal tax as that on Receipts.

"The Houſe adjourned till Monday.

HOUSE OF COMMONS.

MUTINY BILL.

"Sir *Matthew White Ridley* ſaid, that he reſigned into the hands of the Miniſters, the power he claimed as a Member of Parliament, of controlling the affairs of Government. He reſigned it as a pledge of his confidence in Miniſtry, and he hoped they would ſhew by their conduct, that their confidence was not miſplaced.

"Mr *Powys* ſpoke, as uſual, in favour of a coalition, declared his own independency, and affirmed that nothing but unanimity and concord could ſave this country.

"Mr *Fox* ſaid that he had intended, for his own part, to have oppoſed the Mutiny Bill, as it was propoſed for a whole year, but that he had given way to the opinions of his friends.

"Mr *Pitt* was witty and ſevere againſt Mr Powys. He ſaid that a gentleman, who had converſed with both ſides of the Houſe, in the character of a negociator, was well qualified to act a doubtful and ambiguous part.

"Mr *Powys* replied with great warmth.

"Various other members ſpoke; but there was no oppoſition to the queſtion, "that the Mutiny Bill be paſſed for a whole year, as uſual."

"The Houſe broke up at eight o'clock.

"It is ſaid that Parliament will be diſſolved ſoon, and meet again about midſummer, and that the Miniſtry will have a majority in the new Parliament of one hundred and more."

Extract of another letter from London, March 9.

"It is ſuppoſed there will be little or no oppoſition to the meaſures of Government at preſent.

"The friends of the preſent Miniſtry ſeem very much pleaſed at the reſult of laſt night's diviſion, and ſay, now they have gained a complete victory.

"It is thought Parliament will not be diſſolved till the end of the ſummer.

"Lord North was not in the Houſe to-night."

On the afternoon of Wedneſday laſt, was found on Gosford Links, at a conſiderable diſtance from the high road, the body of a middle-aged man: By the number on the buttons of his coat, he muſt have belonged to the 80th regiment. There were no marks of violence on the body. He had hardly any cloaths, but a ſhort coat, and ſeemed to have periſhed through the inclemency of the weather. The body was decently interred in Aberlady church-yard. Nothing was found in his pockets but an iron ſnuff-box, with a ſixpenny piece in it.

Mr John Johnſton, ſon of Major James Johnſton, late of the 61ſt, died on Thurſday the 11th inſtant.

Yeſterday died at her houſe here, Mrs Eliſabeth Hume, relict of Charles St Clair of Herdmanſton, Eſq.

The London Gazette brought by this day's poſt, contains addreſſes to his Majeſty from the county of Stafford, borough of Cricklade, &c. borough of Penryn, county of Berwick, magiſtrates of Lanark, county of Haddington, and borough of Cullros.

COUNTY OF MID LOTHIAN.

Thurſday laſt, in conſequence of an advertiſement for that purpoſe, a meeting was held here, in the old Juſticiary Court Room, of the Freeholders, Juſtices of Peace, Commiſſioners of Supply, and Heritors of the County of Mid Lothian, in order to conſider of an Addreſs to his Majeſty, *Sir Archibald Hope* in the chair. Previous to any buſineſs being proceeded on, Mr Sheriff *Cockburn* addreſſed the meeting in a ſpeech of conſiderable length, explaining the motives for his calling them together, and exculpating himſelf from the charge of precipitation, of which he underſtood ſome Gentlemen had accuſed him, the notice which had been given to the County being only one day leſs than what the law appoints for ſummoning them together to chooſe a member to repreſent them in Parliament.

This apology was by no means ſatisfactory to Sir *Philip Ainſley*, Lord *Henderland*, the Hon. Mr *Elphinſtone*, and ſeveral others, who contended, that longer time ſhould have been allowed for Gentlemen to make up their minds upon the ſubject, that they might come properly prepared to deliver their ſentiments upon a buſineſs of ſuch importance. Sir Philip adverted to the etiquette which at preſent obtained among Gentlemen, even as to the trifling matter of dining together; in which caſe, he obſerved, that a premonition of eight days was expected, even though their reſpective reſidences ſhould not be diſtant from each other above a ſtreet or two. For his part, he was not over punctilious; but he thought, in a matter of ſuch conſequence, where they were called upon to decide as to the merits or demerits of this or that Miniſtry, too much precaution could not be uſed. He, for one, was a ſlow man; and he had always experienced, that when he went too precipitately into any buſineſs, he conſtantly committed blunders. He would wiſh to avoid this upon the preſent occaſion; and, though ſome Gentlemen, of quicker parts, and ſuperior abilities, might be ſufficiently qualified immediately to proceed in the buſineſs, he hoped they would ſhew ſome indulgence to thoſe who were not endowed with the ſame ready talents, and delay the matter for a few days longer. He underſtood the proper buſineſs of

...y was, to take under consideration the reparation of roads ...ridges, and to *damn* the waters; but they should take par... care, in place of that, not to *damn* the Conſtitution. Sir ... was particularly happy in many of his alluſions, and diſ... a great deal of wit and good humour. He declared his ...ion to Addreſſes altogether, notwithſtanding he was ſenſi... that the rage for *addreſſing*, could be equalled by nothing ...e rage for *Air Balloons*, concerning which the attention ...e whole nation ſeemed at preſent to be engroſſed.

...Sheriff *Cockburn*, Mr *Solicitor-General*, and Mr *M'... chie* ſpoke for proceeding immediately, and defended the ... and manner of calling the meeting for the purpoſe of ad... ing his Majeſty. Mr M'Connochie ſaid there was no oc... on for delay, as he did not ſuppoſe there was a man who ... not made up his mind upon the important and conſtitution... political queſtions now in agitation. At length the queſtion ... put, *Delay* or *not?* The numbers were,

Delay,	9
Not,	43
Majority,	——34

A committee was then appointed, which withdrew, and ...ought in a ſtrong and elegant addreſs in ſupport of the pre... miniſtry, repr...barring the laſt as endeavouring to raiſe a ...w power in the conſtitution, as deſtroying the prerogative of ...e Crown, and as diſappointed partizans obſtructing the pub... buſineſs. The Hon. Mr *Elphinſtone* reprobated the addreſs, ...licking out of doors the beſt friend of the people, the Houſe ...Commons. He preſented a more moderate and a well-writ... addreſs, wiſhing for a firm, extended, and efficient adminiſ... ration, that had the confidence of the King, the Parliament, ...d the people. This was ſeconded by Sir *Philip Ainſlie*, ...ho pointed out the neceſſity of unanimity. Mr Pitt himſelf, ...e ſaid, could have no objection to the laſt addreſs. He con...emned the firſt addreſs for ſpeaking ſo diſreſpectfully of a mi...iſtry compoſed of men, who by many were held in infinitely ...igher eſtimation than the preſent. After ſome debate, the ...queſtion was put, *Approve* of the original addreſs brought in by ...the Committee or *not?* It carried,

Approve,	40
Not,	8
Majority,	——32

The addreſs was then ordered to be tranſmitted to Mr Dun...as, their repreſentative in Parliament, or in his abſence to Lord Sydney, to be preſented to his Majeſty.

Mr *M'Conochie* then moved the thanks of the meeting to Mr Dundas, for his firm and upright conduct in maintaining the juſt merogatives of the Crown. This was ſeconded by Mr *Tytler*, advocate, and oppoſed with great humour by Sir *Philip Ainſlie*. Mr *M'Conochie* replied very ably; Sir *Philip* anſwered him; and at length the queſtion was agreed to without a diviſion.

On Tueſday laſt, the Magiſtrates and Town Council of Glaſgow, voted a loyal and dutiful Addreſs to his Majeſty on the preſent critical ſituation of public affairs.

The Magiſtrates and principal inhabitants of the Town of Paiſley, have addreſſed his Majeſty on the ſame intereſting ſubject.

Yeſterday, between two and three o'clock afternoon, an Air Balloon was let off in Heriot's Gardens, by Mr Scott chymiſt. It was about 3½ feet in diameter, the colour a light green. It took about ſix and a half minutes in aſcending, before it diſappeared altogether; and would have gone out of ſight much ſooner, had it not been for a black cloud, in the midſt of which it appeared like a ſtar, and was really taken for ſuch by ſome Gentlemen at the Croſs. The day was extremely favourable, the wind moderate, and at weſt, a point north; ſo that the balloon went in the direction of eaſt by ſouth. The number of ſpectators on this occaſion was immenſe, who all ſeemed highly ſatisfied with their entertainment.

We hear from Carron, that on the 11th inſtant, as the porters at the Carron Works were weighning a large boiler, about one ton weight, the treeangles broke, by which unlucky accident James Young was killed, and another man ſo much bruiſed that his life is deſpaired of.

Thurſday, a reputable tradeſman of this city, having occaſion to go into a tan yard in the back of the Canongate, was unfortunately bit by the dog belonging thereto in the calf of the leg, in a very dangerous manner. The dog was immediately ſhot, and the perſon, it is hoped, is in a fair way of recovery.

Yeſterday morning James Jack, accuſed of breaking into ſhops in this city, was tranſmitted from the tolbooth here to Glaſgow, having been concerned in ſimilar practices with a gang that has long infeſted that city and neighbourhood.

We hear that Grant and Gardiner, accuſed of having forged a bill of L. 650, which they diſcounted at one of the Banks here, have been taken up at Rotterdam, by conſent of the States, and are now in cuſtody.

The Bird, M'Donald, from Clyde, is arrived at Antigua.

Upon Friday laſt died, at Williamwood, Margaret Young, wife of Mr Robert Allaſon, merchant in Glaſgow, greatly regretted by her family and acquaintance.

The Jean, Ritchie, from New York, is arrived in Clyde. She ſailed the 30th of January, and has brought New York newſpapers down to the 22d of January, from which we have taken the following articles.

New York, Dec. 13. Laſt week came to this town from Cape Ann, a Captain, Lieutenant, and thirty-eight men of the Dutch Navy. They relate, that they ſailed from Holland in the month of June laſt, in a ſhip of fifty guns, one of the ſquadron bound to Philadelphia, with his Excellency Mynheer Van Berkel, the Dutch Miniſter: That in September, in lat. 37½. and in the longitude of Nantucket, the ſhip was diſmaſted in a violent gale of wind: That from the want of water, &c. and the ſhip leaking to ſuch a degree as to require the greateſt exertions of the whole crew to keep her from ſinking, they were reduced to the greateſt diſtreſs: That a few days ſince, not far from Cape Ann, they deſcried a brig about three leagues diſtant, when the Captain, the Lieutenant, and the men above-mentioned, left the ſhip in two boats, and made for the brig; and that in about three minutes after they left the ſhip, ſhe went down, having then on board 302 men, among whom were two Lieutenants, and two other officers, all of whom were drowned. Thoſe in the boats were taken on board the brig, and afterwards put on board a ſloop from Cape Ann, which was ſent out for their relief; at which place they were landed.

New York, Jan. 7. Laſt night the following account of a very diſaſterous accident was brought to town: Six ſeamen belonging to his Majeſty's ſhip Aſſiſtance, of 50 guns, lying at Sandy Hook, and confederated to deſert, jumped out of the ſhip into a yawl, and puſhing for the ſhore, were purſued by a boat manned with the firſt Lieutenant, eleven other officers, and a private ſeaman; preſently after they left the ſhip, a ſnow ſtorm aroſe; they loſt ſight of the chace, as well as of the Aſſiſtance, and were all of them (one excepted who is not yet accounted for) found dead next morning on a beach near Middleton point, in New Jerſey.

Names of the unfortunate Officers.

The Hon. Hamilton Douglas Halliburton, Firſt Lieutenant.—Lieutenant Champion of the marines.—Meſſrs Haywood, Johnſtone, Hamilton, Wood, Towers, Paddy, Spry, Tomlinſon, Gaſcoigne, Reddy, and Scott, Midſhipmen.

Three of the above Gentlemen (Midſhipmen) and one man, are not yet found.

Extract of a letter from Baltimore, Jan. 3.

"Our laſt Seſſion of Aſſembly has laid 3 per cent. duty on all goods imported into this State, in Britiſh bottoms, and five ſhillings per ton on all Britiſh ſhips; Whereas Ourſelves and Our Allies pay but one per cent. duty, and two ſhillings per ton."

Extract of a letter from New York, Jan. 15.

"Buſineſs is very dead here, and money ſcarce: the Britiſh having carried it all away with them. La Sophie Britiſh frigate, which ſailed from hence for England ſix days ago, had 200,000 l. ſterling on board. This city has been very quiet and peaceable ſince the Britiſh left it, excepting two nights after the army went to Weſt Point to be diſcharged. When the mechanics, headed by a General Lamb, a Colonel Willet, and King Sears, reſolved to ſtop Mr Rivington's preſs, and ſent him notice of it; to which he paid no regard. The night after, they broke the windows of his houſe, and of ſome other peoples houſes whom they call Tories, and broke down their ſigns. The day following the above Gentlemen waited on him, and ſaid if he did not deſiſt from printing, his houſe would be pulled down, and his throat cut. Upon which he told them he would print no more.

"Mr Rivington was printer of the Royal American Gazette, during the reſidence of the Britiſh army; and, in conſequence of the above, he is now ſelling off his printing materials."

As there was a miſtake, laſt week, in our account of the Fiars, we now give them correct and entire.

Fiars for crop, 1783.

Commiſſariot of Hamilton and Campſie.

Oat-meal, 16 s. 8 d. per boll.—Bear, 15 s. per boll.

Commiſſariot of Glaſgow.

Oat-meal, 16 s. 5 d. per boll.—Bear, 15 s. 6d. per boll.

Archbiſhoprick of Glaſgow.

Oat-meal, 16 s. 8 d. per boll.—Bear, 15 s. per boll.

FIARS for MID LOTHIAN, for Crop 1783, Struck Tueſday.

	L.	Per Boll. s.	d.		L.	Per Boll. s.	d.
Beſt Wheat,	1	0	0	Beſt Oats,	0	14	6
Blacked ditto,	0	18	0	Muirland ditto,	0	13	0
Beſt Barley,	0	18	0	Beſt Oatmeal by weight 8 ſtone,	0	16	0
Blanded Bear,	0	16	0	Peaſe,	0	15	0
Rough ditto,	0	13	0				

EAST LOTHIAN FIARS FOR CROP 1783.

	L.	s.	d.	s.	d.	s.	d.
Wheat,	1	0	5	19	7½	18	9½
Barley,	0	18	2	17	2½	16	8
Oats,	0	14	4½	13	8	12	9
Peaſe,	0	14	2½	12	9½	11	9

FIARS OF ABERDEENSHIRE.

	L.	s.	d.		s.	d.
Great Oats with fodder	1	1	0	Ware Bear without fodder	17	6
Ditto without fodder	0	18	0	Farm or market Bear without fodder	18	6
Brocked Oats with fodder	0	16	0	White Meal 9 ſtone	19	6
Ditto without fodder	0	14	0	Farm Meal 8 ſtone	17	0
Small Oats with fodder	0	10	6	Market Meal	18	0
Ditto without fodder	0	8	0	Peaſe,	17	0
Bear with fodder	1	2	0	Wheat	19	0
Ware Bear with fodder	1	0	0	Rye	17	0

March 3. 1784.

Extracted by ALEX. SHERIFFS.

Extract of a letter from Dundee, March 11.

"On the 20th of laſt month, of ſeven ſloops belonging to this port and bound for it, four got in with the greateſt difficulty and danger, and the other three were ſtranded near the entrance of the Tay. The names of the maſters of theſe three veſſels were, John Caithneſs, John Kennedy, and John Don. The firſt was got off and brought into harbour without the loſs of a man, but conſiderably damaged. The ſecond went to pieces, but the maſter and crew were providentially ſaved. Of the third, the maſter and crew, conſiſting of two men and two boys, unfortunately periſhed, and the hulk and rigging were ſeparately ſold. They were all loaded with coals from the Frith of Forth.

"The very next day, Robert Henry, in a ſloop from Newcaſtle, went aſhore at the ſame place. The maſter and crew, conſiſting of a man and two boys, were all loſt, and the veſſel brought in ſcarcely reparable. It is not yet known, whether there were any paſſengers on board or not. She was loaded with grain and merchant goods, and was of very conſiderable value.

"Theſe very mournful events were occaſioned by a ſtrong eaſterly wind, a great ſwell of the ſea, the darkneſs of the night, and the impoſſibility of ſeeing the lights of the Tay, on account of a thick falling of ſnow.

"Sunday laſt, a collection was made at the doors of the churches, and of the meeting-houſes of the Epiſcopal, Seceders, and Independents here, for the relief of the ſuffering widows and orphans. The contribution was liberal; and, having been firſt moved by the Kirk Seſſion, is a freſh proof of the truly Chriſtian harmony that ſubſiſts between the members of the Eſtabliſhment, and thoſe of the other religious perſuaſions in Dundee, and which cannot be too warmly enforced, nor too anxiouſly imitated."

FOR THE CALEDONIAN MERCURY.

To the RED *and* WHITE ROSES, *on the Death of the Chevalier de* ST GEORGE, *and the State of Public Affairs*, A. D. 1784.

YE Rival Roſes, join in common woe;
One year has laid your darling objects low:
Thou pale Roſe, weep thy Charles's fleeting ghoſt;
Thou Red, drop blood—The Conſtitution's loſt!

Edin. March 9. H. A.

A number of Advertiſements, Eſſays, and Articles of Intelligence are obliged to be delayed for want of room.

ARRIVED AT LEITH, March 8.—Thomas and Mathew, Buck, from Blackney, with peaſe and barley, &c.; Good Intent, Ledger, from Lynn, with ditto; Griffin, Elliot, from Cromarty, with ditto;—9. Ann, Slater, from Zetland, with goods;—10. Charming Peggie, Lamb, from Arbroath, with furniture; Ann, Beaddie, from Bute iſland, light; and Jean, Brown, from Boſtock, with lead, &c.;—11. Betſey, Murray, from Clackmanan, with coals; Janet, Hope, from Pitherrow, with whiſky; Fellowſhip, M'Laren, from Alloa, with coals, &c.—12. Succeſs, Whyte, from Dundee, in ballaſt; Nelly, Tulloch, from Burton-ſounneſs, with coals; Generous Mind, Knight, from Dundee, with grain.—13. Three Friends, Chalmers, from Grangemouth, with goods; Katharine, Muirhead, from Elphinſton, with coals; Friendſhip, Mains, from Aberdeen, with goods.

SAILED.—Chriſtian, Willatt, Newcaſtle, with goods; Elliſabeth, Henderſon, from Berwick, with ditto; Providence, Roſs, from Alemouth, in ballaſt; Griffin, Allard, from Grangemouth, with grain; Phenix, Dean, from Inverkeithing, in ballaſt; Three Brothers, Runceman, from Dunbar, in ditto; Mary, M'Kraikin, from North Berwick, in ditto.

PRICE OF GRAIN AT HADDINGTON, March 12. 1784.

Wheat,	20 s.	0 d.	18 s.	6 d.	17 s.	0 d.
Barley,	11	0	19	6	17	0
Oats,	13	6	13	0	11	0
Peaſe,	16	0	13	6	13	0

AIR BALLOON.

Will be let off in Heriot's Garden, on Wedneſday the 17th of March, for the laſt time.

AT HALF-PAST TWO.

By Mr JOHN SCOTT, Chemiſt,

Who let off the firſt Balloon in Scotland.

If the day ſuits, a ſmall flag will be diſplayed in the morning from the ſteeple of the Hoſpital.

The BALLOON will be 23 feet in circumference.

Admittance ONE SHILLING.

N. B. The launching of the Air Balloon is put off to Wedneſday, at the particular deſire of ſeveral perſons of diſtinction, who could not attend on Monday.

A WATCH LOST.

LOST at Glaſgow, on Wedneſday the 10th inſtant, A PLAIN GOLD WATCH, having a ſecond hand, with a brown ſattin ribbon, and gold ſeal, Maker's name Jo. HARRISON, London.

A handſome reward will be given to any perſon who may have found the above, upon delivering it to Mr Robert Aitchiſon watchmaker at the back of the City Guard, Edinburgh.—If it ſhould be offered to ſale, it is intreated that it may be ſtopped, and notice given to Mr Aitchiſon.

AUCTION OF CAPITAL PRINTS.

ON Monday next, the 15th current, and for the two following evenings, there will be SOLD, by auction, at that large ware-room, next door to Corrie and Sutherland's Muſic Shop, Bridge Street, by Mr Smith, a Large Collection of PRINTS, by the greateſt Maſters, particularly Rubens, Vandyck, Ditiade, Rembrandt, Woollet, Bartolozzi, Watſon, Picott. The whole to be ſold off without reſerve, and entered at the pleaſure of the company. The Prints to be viewed on the reſpective days, at the place of ſale, from eleven till three, where catalogues may be had.—Some very fine original Paintings alſo to be Sold.

MONEY WANTED.

WANTED to borrow immediately upon undoubted heritable ſecurity, 120 l. Sterling.——For particulars, apply to William Findlayſon, writer in Edinburgh.

DAMAGED FLAX.

TO be SOLD at Leith, on Wedneſday the 17th inſtant, at eleven o'clock forenoon, for account of the Underwriters, from 12 to 15 Matts DUTCH FLAX, lately arrived on board the Olive Branch, Captain Black.

The Flax to be ſeen at the warehouſe of Alexander Henderſon, flaxdreſſer, Leith.

HAY TO BE ROUPED.

TO be rouped at BRAIDSBURN, on Tueſday next, the 16th of March current,

Three Stacks of Clover and Rye-Graſs HAY, and one Stack of Natural HAY, all exceedingly well got. Credit to be given on proper ſecurity.—The roup to begin at twelve o'clock.

The hay will be ſhown any day before the roup by the gardener at Braid.

SMOAKY VENTS.

JAMES ROBERTSON, MASON, LAICH CALTON, EDINR.

(Not from London)

BEGS leave to aſſure the Nobility, Gentry, and the Public, that he cures the moſt inveterate Smoaky Vents, in their moſt deſperate caſes; and, as proofs of his ſucceſs, he has authority from the Right Hon. Lord Elphinſtone, Governor of Edinburgh Caſtle, and from Major Fraſer, Chief Engineer in Scotland, to ſay, That they will atteſt his having cured a number of vents in the Caſtle of Edinburgh, where the utmoſt efforts of a famous Smoke Doctor from London had failed.

He has a new-conſtructed VENTILATOR, which prevents neighbouring ſmoak and bad air from coming down the vent when there is no fire in the room.

His alterations do not hurt the elegance of the chimney; and indeed, in ſome caſes, there is no manual or mechanical operation performed either on the chimney or on the chimney top, but merely by changing the current of air that ſupplies the room. His performances never, upon any occaſion, make the room colder, but, in caſe he makes any alterations on the chimney, they give double heat of any other fire-place. No charge for trouble is made until proof of his ſucceſs is given.

The following are a few of the many certificates he can produce, the originals of which may be ſeen at his houſe—

	Vents.		Vents.
Lady Huntingdon,	4	Mrs Janet Bilay,	1
Lord Elliock,	2	Mr David Geddes,	1
Lord Henderland,	5	Mr A. Halyburton,	2
J. Home Rigg, Eſq; of Morton,	9	Mr Robert Boyd,	3
Sir John Stewart, Bart.	10	Mr William Morriſon,	4
Captain Swinton,	4	Mr James Stewart,	1
Commiſſioner Brown,	1	Mr James Cargill,	5
Claud Boſwell, Eſq; of Balmuto,	1	Captain Hunter,	4
Mr Thomas Trotter,	1	Captain Stewart,	2

A SURPLUS RENT of 67 l. Sterling, for 31 years from Whitſunday next, payable out of the Farm of Killaman, in Kintyre, by good tenants, is to be SOLD, within the houſe of Mrs Watſon vintner in Campbelton, on Wedneſday the 24th day of March curt.

James Maxwell at Campbelton will inform as to particulars.

TO LET,

THE HOUSE and GARDEN at Fountainbridge, lately poſſeſſed by Mr James Jackſon, and formerly by the late Mr David Spence, conſiſting of a large parlour, a good kitchen, a pantry, back kitchen, with two good cellars, on the ground floor.—In the ſecond ſtorey, a large dining room, and four bed rooms; three good rooms in the garrets for children and ſervants; with ſeveral other conveniencies, which make it a commodious houſe for a large family.

For particulars, apply to Mr James Spence, at the Bank of Scotland, or Mr Walter Biggar, at Siennes.

BY ORDER OF THE HONOURABLE

COMMISSIONERS OF HIS MAJESTY'S CUSTOMS,

THERE is to be expoſed to public roup and ſale, in the Cuſtom-houſe of Leith, upon Thurſday 18th March 1784, at the hour of twelve o'clock noon,

FOR HOME CONSUMPTION,

—899 Pounds fine Black Tea; and 479 Pounds Coarſe black Tea.

FARMS IN INVERNESS SHIRE TO LET.

TO be LET, and entered to at Whitſunday next, Several FARMS on the eſtate of Belnain, lands of a Belachernoch, &c.

For particulars, enquire at John Stewart factor at Drummond, near Inverneſs

HOUSE IN GEORGE's SQUARE.

TO be SOLD, and entered to at Whitſunday next, that elegant HOUSE on the weſt ſide of George's Square, belonging to and preſently poſſeſſed by the Honourable Henry Erſkine. The Houſe conſiſts of fourteen fire-rooms, with cloſets, and various other conveniencies, and is all laid out and finiſhed in the very beſt taſte. The lobby, ſtair-caſe, and principal rooms are particularly elegant; the dining-room and drawing-room being each 30 feet by 20, and high in proportion, with very handſome chimney-pieces of ſtatuary and coloured marbles, and painted and papered in the genteeleſt manner: the whole houſe complete, and ready for the reception of a family.

Beſides catacombs in the under ſtorey, there are three good cellars in the front of the houſe, one of which is fitted up with catacombs. Behind the houſe is a neat garden, ſtocked with the beſt wall-fruit trees, ſmall fruit, and flowering ſhrubs, and a large green in the middle of the garden, very convenient for bleaching clothes. There is a pump-well, and ſundry other conveniencies in the back-court. The houſe is at all times perfectly free from ſmoke.

Every neceſſary fixture which a family can require is already in the houſe and back-court, and will be allowed to remain, or not, according to agreement. And, as the drawing-room furniture is fitted to the ſize and finiſhing of that room, it will be ſold along with the Houſe, if agreeable, and a proper price offered for it. The proprietor has alſo a ſhare in the New Aſſembly Rooms now building in George's Square, which, if the purchaſer inclines, will be ſold with the houſe.

The price of the Houſe, &c. will be allowed to remain in the purchaſer's hand, upon giving proper ſecurity.

Any perſon having a ſerious intention to purchaſe the Houſe, and with that view wiſhes to ſee it, will get acceſs, and hear further particulars, by applying to Mr John Sommerville writer in the Graſs-market, Edinburgh, or to the proprietor.

TENEMENTS IN LEITH FOR SALE.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within Gibb's Coffeehouſe on the ſhore of Leith, on Saturday the 27th day of March inſtant, betwixt the hours of four and five afternoon,

That Large TENEMENT, lying at the head of the Broad wynd Leith, with the cellars, Cooperage yard, area, and whole pertinents, extending on the eaſt to Quality-ſtreet, as preſently poſſeſſed by Robert Croſar, cooper in Leith, and his ſub-tenants.

As alſo, that Tenement and Pertinents lying oppoſite to the Smith and Wright factory, in St Anthon's, near the foot of the Walk, as preſently poſſeſſed by Miſs Angillie in Leith and others.

The progreſs of writs and conditions of ſale, to be ſeen in the hands of John Patiſon, Town-Clerk of Leith.

FARM AT CORSTORPHINE TO LET.

THERE will be LET for nineteen years, or ſuch ſhorter period as may be agreed upon, that Large Farm called the MEADOW-HOUSE FARM, lying within two miles of Edinburgh, in the pariſh of Corſtorphine and ſhire of Edinburgh.

This Farm conſiſts of 186 acres and upwards, and will be Let either in one farm or in two farms. If Let in two diviſions, the grounds lying to the weſt of the road from Corſtorphine to Clermiſton will be let in one farm, conſiſting of 85 acres; and the grounds lying to the eaſt of that road, including the Padoch-holm, and Meadow-houſe incloſures, and amounting to 101 acres, will be Let as another farm. Theſe grounds are of an excellent quality, part of them as good land as in Mid-Lothian, and are all incloſed with an outſide fence, and they will be Let ſo, as that they may be entered to immediately, or at Martinmas next, as the incoming tenant ſhall incline.

Propoſals may be given in to Sir Alexander Dick of Preſtonfield, Bart. at Preſtonfield, or to Mr Samuel Mitchelſon, jun. Clerk to the ſignet, and ſuch as are not accepted, will be kept ſecret, if deſired.

To be SOLD by private bargain, and entered to at Whitſunday next,

THAT Large, Elegant, and Convenient Houſe

in Adam's Square, poſſeſſed by the Lord Preſident of the Seſſion, with two coach-houſes, and ſtables for 8 horſes, and every other conveni— for the accomodation of a large family.

As the houſe is large, ſeveral articles of furniture peculiarly adapted to it, will be left to the purchaſer on reaſonable terms.

For further particulars, apply to James Newbigging, George's ſquare.

Not to be repeated.

TO LET, at Croft-angry, in the neighbourhood of Holyroodhouſe,

A LODGING, conſiſting of ſeven rooms,

cloſets, kitchen, and large lumber-garret, with a cellar and well of good water back of the houſe.

For further particulars, enquire at Hector Gavin engraver, Parliament Square Edinburgh, who takes this opportunity to return his moſt grateful thanks to the Noblemen and Gentlemen who have for many years favoured him with their employment, hopes the continuance of their favour, and, to the utmoſt in his power, ſhall endeavour to deſerve it.

TO BE LET,

For any number of years after Whitſunday firſt,

THE MANSION-HOUSE of STEELLEND, pleaſantly ſituated about ſix miles ſouth weſt from the town of Perth, and one mile ſouth-eaſt from the town of Dunning, within the pariſh of Dunning and ſhire of Perth, conſiſting of a dining-room, parlour, bed room, and kitchen on the ground floor; four bed-rooms and a cloſet on the ſecond floor; and a nurſery, ſervants room, and garrets above; with convenient cellars, and a complete ſet of office-houſes, all newly built, properly finiſhed, and fitted up in a neat and commodious manner; together with a large Garden, well ſtored with fine young fruit trees, &c. all in a thriving condition. As alſo, Twenty acres of arable ground lying contiguous to the houſe, in good heart and condition, ſufficiently incloſed with ditch and hedge, and ſubdivided into ſeven parks; with the carriage of 30 cart-loads of coals yearly, and the ſervice of ten men two days at hay or harveſt.

Perſons inclining to offer, may apply to the proprietor on the ſpot, or John Rutherford junior, writer in Perth.

LANDS IN ARGYLESHIRE TO LET.

UPON Monday the 22d day of March current, there will be Set by public roup, at the Changehouſe of Lergnahunſion, in Coiliſlate, for three years from Whitſunday next, by warrant of the Court of Seſſion, the following FARMS, part of the eſtate of Kilberry, viz.

The Lands of Clachbreck, Upper and Lower Shenegart, with the Changehouſe and acres of Lower Shenegart, lying in the pariſh of South Knapdale.

The Lands of Tiretigan, Keppoch, Dalicharn, Orangebay, Northtown and Fairfield, and Laggan, being part of the twelve-merk land of Kilberry and Tiretigan, lying in the pariſh of Kilberry,—AS ALSO the lands of Achaglackach on Lochtarbertſide.

Theſe lands are well adapted for farming and grazing, being all of a good quality. For particulars, application may be made before the day of roup to Neil M'Gibbon writer in Inverary, the factor on the eſtate.

N. B. Tenants muſt find ſecurity to the ſatisfaction of the factor.

FARMS IN EAST LOTHIAN TO LET.

TO be LET, for ſuch a number of years as can be agreed upon, and to be entered to at Martinmas 1784, the Eaſt and Weſtſide Farms of WHITEKIRK, in the pariſh of Whitekirk.

The Eaſtſide Farm contains 166 Scots acres, whereof 133 are arable, the reſt paſture. And the Weſtſide Farm conſiſts of about 181 Scots acres, whereof 146 or thereby are arable, and the reſt paſture.

The Farms are in good heart, and will be let either together or ſeparately.

Offers may be given in to Mrs Baird of Newbyth, at her houſe, Chapel Street, Edinburgh, or to Thomas Aitchiſon at Newbyth, who will ſhow the farms.

The offers not accepted will be concealed.

ROUP OF TOLLS IN SELKIRK-SHIRE.

TO be LET by public roup, within the houſe of John Veitch vintner in Selkirk, upon the 6th day of April next, for one year after Whitſunday next,

The TOLLS payable at the Toll-Bars of CROSLEE and SELKIRK, upon the great road from Edinburgh to Carliſle, and thoſe payable at the Toll Bar of Hollolee, upon the road from Kelſo to Peebles.

No perſon will be allowed to offer for any of theſe bars, who cannot produce a ſufficient cautioner to the truſtees, who are to meet time and place above; and further particulars may be learned by applying to John Lang, Sheriff clerk of Selkirk-ſhire.

A TAN YARD.

TO be SOLD, by public voluntary roup, within the Trades Hall, Dundee, on the 18th day of March 1784, betwixt the hours of two and three afternoon, and to be entered to at Whitſunday following,

That Large and Commodious TAN WORK, lying at the foot of the Well-gate, Dundee, conſiſting of three drying ſheds, two back lofts, a bark-mill, currying ſhop, ſtove, leather cellar, ſtable, ſmoke-houſe, &c. and every other conveniency neceſſary for carrying on the branch of tanning, with the advantage of a fine run of ſpring water; as alſo, a ſhip and counting-houſe of ſeventy feet, fronting the Well-gate and Cowgate ſtreets.

George Lockhart tanner in Dundee will ſhow the premiſſes.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

UPON the 10th March 1784, the Lords of Council and Seſſion did, in terms of the ſtatute of the 23d of his preſent Majeſty, ſequeſtrate the whole real and perſonal eſtate of James Ogilvie ſhoemaker, Burgeſs in Canongate, wherever ſituated; and appointed his Creditors to meet in the Town Court-houſe of Canongate, upon the 26th March current, at twelve o'clock noon, to name an interim-factor upon the ſaid ſequeſtrated eſtate in terms of the ſaid ſtatute, and granted warrant and commiſſion to any of the Bailies of Canongate, to attend the ſaid meeting, and to receive the grounds of debt, with oaths on verity thereof. Of which this public notice is given to all concerned.

NOTICE.

JAMES MUNRO, writer in Edinburgh, being inveſted with full powers to receive and diſcharge the debts reſting to PATRICK ANDERSON Bookſeller in Edinburgh, lately deceaſed; this is requeſting thoſe who ſtood indebted to him, to make immediate payment, otherwiſe, legal meaſures for recovery will be inſtantly taken. It is alſo requeſted, that thoſe who have claims againſt the defunct, will tranſmit notes thereof to the ſaid James Munro.

NOTICE

To the Creditors of ALEXANDER GRAHAM and Company, merchants in Glaſgow, and of ALEXANDER GRAHAM merchant in Glaſgow, as an individual.

THE perſonal eſtates of the ſaid Alexander Graham and Company, and Alexander Graham, having been formerly ſequeſtrated in terms of the act paſſed in the 12th year of the reign of his preſent Majeſty, the Court of Seſſion, upon the application of Gilbert Hamilton merchant in Glaſgow, a creditor, did, upon the 6th day of March current, renew the ſequeſtration of the ſaid perſonal eſtates, with the addition of all lands, and other heritable ſubjects belonging to the ſaid Alexander Graham and Co. and Alexander Graham, ſituated within Scotland, and appointed the Creditors of the ſaid Alexander Graham and Company, and of Alexander Graham, to meet at Glaſgow, within the houſe of Mrs Shiel vintner there, upon the 18th March current, at twelve o'clock noon, to name an interim-factor upon the ſequeſtrated eſtate foreſaid.

Of all which notice is hereby given by Gilbert Hamilton, the petitioning creditor.

Second Notice—Firſt Term.

IN the ranking and ſale, Lieutenant-Colonel Charles Graham, of the 42d Regiment of Foot, with concourſe of his Majeſty's Advocate, againſt Andrew Cranſton wright in the Abbey of Holyroodhouſe, and his Creditors, the Lord Hailes, by interlocutor ſigned the 28th February laſt, named the Lord Juſtice Clerk of courſe to rank the ſaid Creditors, and aſſigned the 12th of June to the whole Creditors to produce their claims and diligences, competent to them againſt the Bankrupt or his eſtate, and that for the firſt term, with certification as in a reduction and improbation; and appointed this notice thereof, ſo as the ſame may come to the knowledge of all concerned.

C. H. CALLANDER, Clk.

Second Notice—Firſt Term.

THAT in the conjoined Proceſſes of Ranking and Sale, at the inſtance of Meſſrs Douglas Heron and Co. late bankers in Ayr, and their factor, with concourſe of his Majeſty's Advocate, AGAINST John Campbell of Wellwood, David M'Clure of Shawwood, and George M'Cree of Pircon, and their creditors, the Lord Gardenſtone, Ordinary, by interlocutor dated the 3d of March current, aſſigned the 22d day of June next to come, for the firſt term, to the whole creditors of the ſaid John Campbell, David M'Clure, and George M'Cree, to produce their rights, claims, and diligences, againſt them, the bankrupts, or their eſtate, with certification.

R. C. ROSS Clk.

JAMES MAXWELL, Sheriff-ſubſtitute at Campbelltown, arbiter in the ſubmiſſion between the creditors of the deceaſed Alexander Campbell, late Chamberlain of Kintyre, does hereby require ſuch of the ſaid defunct's creditors as have acceded to the ſubmiſſion, to lodge their ſeveral claims, with the vouchers thereof, in his hands, betwixt and the 20th day of March curt.; and to be prepared to depone to the verity of ſuch debts as are not inſtructed by regular vouchers, at ſuch time as ſhall be hereafter appointed.

Campbelltown, 22d Feb. 1784.

SET OF LANDS IN ILAY.

IN conſequence of warrant of the Court of Seſſion, the Lands and Eſtate of SUNDERLAND, conſiſting of the Farms of Sunderland, Forland, Cladville, Cuik, and Culererich, with the pertinents, are to be ſet for three years, from Whitſunday next 1784, by public roup, within the houſe of John Hill, innkeeper at Portaſkaig, in Ilay, on the 27th day of April next.—The Eſtate will be ſhown by John M'Intyre, overſeer to the late Sunderland; and perſons intending to offer will receive information of any particulars by applying to John Macneil writer in Inverary, factor appointed by the Court of Seſſion on the eſtate of Sunderland.

As there is an extracted decreet of removing againſt the preſent tenants, ſuch as may be preferred at the roup may depend on peaceable poſſeſſion at Whitſunday.

INN AND FARM AT WHITBURN TO LET.

TO be SUBSET, and entered to at Martinmas 1784, that well-frequented INN at Whitburn, half-way betwixt Edinburgh and Glaſgow, preſently poſſeſſed by Mrs Robertſon, with the farm lying adjacent thereto, conſiſting of about 70 Scots acres, all incloſed and in good condition. Mrs Robertſon's tack of the farm ſubſiſts till Martinmas 1792, and of the Inn and Offices till Whitſunday thereafter.

For particulars, apply to Mrs Robertſon herſelf, or to James Gray writer, Meal Market Stairs, Edinburgh.

COAL to be LET.

THE very valuable and extenſive Coal-Work belonging to the Town of NEWTON upon AYR is to be Let for ſuch a term of years as can be agreed upon.

The ſituation of this colliery is particularly adapted for a moſt extenſive export, as it is very near the harbour of Ayr, and extends to the very ſhipping place. By the former workings, as well as thoſe in the adjoining colliery of Blackhouſe, it appears the coal-work is of very great extent, and free of troubles. The tackſman may be accommodated upon reaſonable terms, with machinery for working a fire-engine, and gins and other utenſils for carrying on the work.

For particulars apply to the Magiſtrates of Newton, John Hunter writer to the ſignet, or James Ferguſon writer in Ayr.

Sale of a HOUSE and SHOP in Edinburgh.

TO be Sold by public roup, within John's Coffee-houſe, Edinburgh, upon Thurſday the 25th of March current, between the hours of four and five afternoon,

That Large SHOP and DWELLING HOUSE, being part of the new built land lying at the head of Paterſon's Court, Lawn-market, Edinburgh, preſently poſſeſſed by John Dryſdale, grocer, at the yearly rent of 28l. Sterling.

This Shop is already well ſituated for buſineſs, and will ſoon be more ſo, as the communication between the Old and New Town, by the Weſt Bridge, will open at, or near the head of Paterſon's Court.

For further particulars, apply to George Tod, writer in Edinburgh, who has power to conclude a private bargain, between and the day of ſale, and in whoſe hands the articles of roup and progreſs of writs may be ſeen.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Lands and Eſtate of LIN-CLOUDEN,

with the teinds and pertinents, lying in the pariſh of Kirk-Patrick Iron Gray, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright, with the vice-perſonage of the ſaid pariſh; and the Superiorities of the Lands of Nether Margiolly, Marngroeg, Glenkiln, Pear Tree, and Knockjig, Nether Booch, Killilour, Knockſhinoch, Crochmore, Malaby, and Nether Barneclugh, all lying within the ſaid pariſh and ſtewartry.

The Property Lands conſiſt of upwards of 1700 acres, a great part of which are highly improveable. The preſent yearly free rent is little more than 300l. Sterling, but it will admit of a very conſiderable advance upon a renewal of the leaſes, which are nearly expired. The Eſtate holds of the Crown, and, with the ſuperiorities, affords four freehold qualifications. It lies within five miles of the town of Dumfries, betwixt and which there is a good road to coal, and lime, and markets. There is a conſiderable quantity of planting upon the lands of Braco, part of ſaid Eſtate, and ſome well incloſed and cultivated fields there, laid out with a view to building.

The rent-roll, plan, and meaſurement of the Eſtate, and title-deeds, which are clear, may be ſeen in the hands of William Riddel, writer to the ſignet, to whom perſons intending to purchaſe may apply.

Mr George Pete farmer at Braco, will ſhow the premiſſes.

COAL TO BE LET.

TO be LET for ſuch a number of years as may be agreed upon, and entered to the 6th of October 1784,

The LEVEL-FREE COLLIERY of BLAIRINGONE, and the adjoining Coal in the lands of Baſter Dolherbeg, all belonging to his Grace the Duke of Atholl, ſituated along the water of Devon, at the weſt corner of the county of Fife, being about ſix computed miles from Dunfermline, Kinroſs, Dumblane, Stirling; ſtill at leſs diſtance from Alloa and Clackmannan, and the neareſt colliery for ſupplying Strathearn, and other populous parts of the country: a very extenſive ſale may be expected.

The tackſman of the coal may have an extenſive FARM, or a leſſer one, as moſt convenient; alſo, a very good Dwelling-Houſe.

Offerers may adapt their propoſals to the different ways in which they would incline to work the coal, and proportion the rent.—Propoſals may be tranſmitted to Commiſſary Biſſet, Dunkeld, or George Farquhar writer, Edinburgh, who will ſhow a drawing of the coal, and inform as to further particulars.—Propoſals ſhall be kept ſecret if deſired.

Mr Taylor, coalgrieve at Blairngone, will ſhow the different ſeams.—Mr John Grieve at Grange colliery, near Borrowſtounneſs, will alſo give the requiſite information.

TO be SOLD by public roup and auction, within the King's Arms Inn Dumfries, upon Wedneſday the 17th day of March next,

The Two & a Half-mark Land of DORNELL,

lying in the pariſh of Balmaghie, and ſtewartry of Kirkcudbright, conſiſting of 400 acres, or thereby; beſides a loch of 20 acres, well ſtored with Perch and Pyke. They hold of the Crown, and are rented at about 45 l. Sterling.

Alſo, the WOODS on the marches, between the lands of Livingſton and Fineneſs, in ſaid pariſh of Balmaghie, conſiſting of Oak, Aſh, Beech, and Birch.

The articles of roup and title-deeds to be ſeen in the hands of John Hunter writer to the ſignet, and Thomas Stothart writer in Dumfries, to either of whom, perſons inclining to make a private bargain may apply.

TO be SOLD by public roup, within the houſe of Mrs Wier vintner in Dunſe, upon Wedneſday the 28th of April next, betwixt the hours of one and four o'clock afternoon,

The Lands and Eſtate of MOORHALL,

formerly part of the Lands of HILLEND, containing 164½ acres, Engliſh meaſure, all incloſed and ſubdiviſded with ditch and hedge, lying in the pariſh of Coldinghame, and county of Berwick. The lands are in the poſſeſſion of John Conſtable the proprietor, all improved, pleaſantly ſituated, and command a fine proſpect of the country. They lie juſt upon the poſt road, within two miles of Coldinghame, nine miles of Berwick upon-Tweed, and three miles of Evemouth, where plenty of lime is to be had at a reaſonable price. There is a very neat Manſion-houſe upon the eſtate, with a complete ſet of offices. The lands held of Mr Home of Wedderburn, and pay an yearly feu-duty of 7 s. Sterling.

For particulars, apply to John Bogue writer in Edinburgh, or Adam Watſon writer in Dunſe, with whom the title deeds of the lands, and rental may be ſeen, who has power to conclude a private bargain.

FARMS and DISTILLERIES near Stirling.

To be LET for ſuch a number of years as may be agreed upon,

THE commodious and very extenſive DISTILLERIES, lately erected upon the eſtate of James Guild of Myreton, at Balquharn, and at Dolls, with genteel ſlated Dwelling-houſes, Malting Barns, Mills, Dry Kilns, Granaries, Barns, Offices, and Feeding-Houſes for cattle and hogs, completely furniſhed; together with the arable farms contiguous thereto, and lately poſſeſſed with theſe diſtilleries, all incloſed, and in good heart. As alſo, the Farm of KAVERKAE, lately held by James Guild, and Farm of HAUGH MAILING adjoining to it, and preſently occupied by James Henderſon; and another Farm next to it, preſently poſſeſſed by —— Hall. The whole of theſe Farms lie under the eye of the diſtilleries, and moſt happily ſituated for reaping the fulleſt advantages ariſing from the dung, the ſoil being excellent, the parks well watered, the ſituation warm, early, and ſheltered againſt ſhaking, within one mile of the coal, two of the Frith, and three of Stirling. All the veſſels and utenſils being left ſtanding, and to be ſold by the truſtees of Meſſrs Guild, the entering tenant might begin his diſtillery inſtantly.

ALSO to be LET, the Farm of Dams, with ſlated Houſe, and large Maltin Barn; and the fine extenſive hill farms of Weſthill of Alva and Kaverkae, known to be the beſt feeding ground in the Ochills, and now conveniently joined in one farm, with the hills of Balquharn and Myretoun, together with the Manſion-houſe of Myretoun, and Malting barn, and the arable ground above the road.

To be Let alſo, and entered to at Whitſunday, 1784,

The fine ſheep farm called the Miſngles of Tillicoultry, preſently poſſeſſed by John and Alexander Marſhals, whoſe tack expires at that time.

It is worthy notice, all thoſe Sheep Farms lie ſo warm, that in the ſevereſt ſtorms they never are obliged to feed, nor do their ſheep ſuffer a want of food, the ſnow never lying on the ſouth ſide of the hills, which enables them to keep all their ſtock white, and to ſell their wool very high.

Propoſals to be delivered in, addreſſed to John Johnſton, Eſq. at Alva.

To be LET alſo, the HOUSES and the MAINS of HANGINGSHAW, at preſent all in graſs, and which has lain ſo about about ten years; and the Weſt farm of Kerhope, preſently poſſeſſed by — Thomſon, remarkable for breeding ſheep, both lying in the pariſh of Tarbolton. As alſo, the farm of Helmburn, preſently poſſeſſed by Walter Hogg, whoſe leaſe expires at Whitſunday 1784. Alſo, the Manſion-houſe and Parks of Douglan, pleaſantly ſituated on the river Eſk, near Lasholm.

Propoſals to be delivered to Mr George Malcolm at Burnfoot, who has power to ſet the farms.

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